

Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT)

Description

Nearly 1300 colleges and universities use GMAT scores for admission to graduate business and management programs.

The GMAT measures general verbal, quantitative, and analytical writing skills and abilities developed over a long period of time that are associated with success in the first year of study in a graduate school of management.

The test is composed of eight separately timed sections; two 30-minute writing tests and six 25-minute, multiple-choice sections.

Administration

The USCG participates in the DANTES Testing Program and has provided funding to DANTES to pay for the GMATs taken through DANTES Test Centers. Only one administration of the GMAT is funded per member's lifetime for active duty and reserve members.

There is also a national testing program conducted through colleges and universities. Should members elect to test at national test centers, funding is not provided through the USCG.

Beginning in FY-2000 the GMAT will be administered through computer based testing processes. For the administrative process, see the Fact Sheet on the next page.

The GMAT is only administered on specific dates. DANTES distributes a "Calendar of National Testing Dates" that contains the test dates for the current year. To order the calendar, see the Chapter on DANTES

Information

The DANTES Test Control Officer can provide basic information. The test developer, ETS, offers publications and computer programs to help prepare for the GMAT. For assistance in locating the nearest DANTES Test Centers, see the chapter on DANTES

Also visit the web site at: <http://www.gmat.org/>

GMAT TESTING REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS

The GMAT Exam was computerized as of 1 Oct 99. The USCG funds through DANTES one GMAT per member's lifetime. Members seeking reimbursement must follow the DANTES administrative instructions as follows:

A. **Register** for the examination by calling 1-800-GMAT-NOW (1-800-462-8669), schedule the exam and charge the registration fee to VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

(1) Those members without a credit card must complete the "GMAT CAT Voucher Request Form" (found in the GMAT Information Bulletin and mail the request form and the registration fee (check of money order made out to ETS GRE/CBT) to: GMAT Educational Testing Service, PO Box 6103, Princeton, NJ 08541-6103. In 2-4 weeks the examinee will receive the voucher and may then call 1-800-GMAT-NOW to schedule an appointment.

B. **Pay the Testing Fee** of \$150. Examinees forfeit their entire test fee if they fail to appear for testing at the appointed time and date, or fail to reschedule, or cancel at least 7 days prior to the scheduled test date. An additional fee is charged to reschedule the test.. If the appointment is cancelled NO LATER THAN 7 DAYS prior to the scheduled test date, a partial cancellation refund (amount may change) is provided. (The rescheduling fee and

cancellation fee is subject to change and is not listed here.) The remainder of the testing fee nor the rescheduling fee is eligible for reimbursement through DANTES.

C. Complete the DANTES GRE General/GMAT Reimbursement Form. The form is available from the DANTES TCO who is responsible for certifying the form.

(1) Attach a legible copy of the GMAT Test Score Report.

(2) Have the DANTES Test Control Officer sign the form. (To locate the nearest DANTES TCO, go to the DANTES homepage at <http://voled.doded.mil> and click on Dir of DANTES Test Centers.)

D. Reimbursement Method. Reimbursement occurs in one of two methods depending on how the registration fee was initially paid:

(1) If paid by credit card, the examinee's credit card account will be credited within two months after ETS receives the reimbursement request..

(2) If paid by check or money order, a check will be mailed to the examinee approximately 8 weeks after receipt of the reimbursement request.